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MEMORANDUM TO: Executive Director

Subject: Establishment of Personnel Loyalty Board
for the CIG.

Reference: Memorandum No. 19, 16 April, 1947.

1. Reference, which covers an essentially security policy problem, was published without reference to or coordination with Security Branch, OCD. While this was no doubt an oversight, pertinent comment from a security angle might appropriately be offered at this time:

a. It is felt that supplementary instructions might be issued to insure Security Branch's being informed whenever developments under Board procedures are imminent. This is important from the standpoint of security relations between offices of the CIG and in relation to liaison with the IAB and other agencies.

b. Memorandum under reference has been issued without classification. Paragraph 5 mentions employees overseas, and while it is recalled that public comment has been made concerning the CIG's taking over from the FBI in Latin America, the fact that we are engaged in overseas operations has generally been highly classified. It is therefore recommended that referenced memorandum be classified at least Confidential or that mention of overseas personnel be withdrawn.

2. Additional comment is offered as follows:

a. It is noted that no specific mention is made of a Secretariat for the Board established by above reference. However, paragraph 7 does state that the Security Division, P & A Branch is intended to be the office of record.

b. It is recommended that the Security Division, P & A Branch be designated as the office to perform all necessary secretarial functions for the Personnel Loyalty Board.

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